Application No.: 09/970,432 Reply to Office Action of 2/06/2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Harold O. Treece

Serial No.:

09/970,432

Filed: 10/03/2001

For:

UNIVERSAL CEMENTING PLUG

Examiner: C. Novosad

Art Unit: 3671

Mail Stop Fee Amendment

Commissioner For Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED APR 1 6 2004 **GROUP 3600**

Docket No.: 30545.11

Customer No.: 000027683

AMENDMENT

I. **Introductory Comments**

The present paper is being submitted in response to the Office Actions mailed April 16, 2003 and February 6, 2004.

A fee for a three month extension of time is necessary. The extension of time is hereby requested, and a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR 1.136(a) is filed herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-1394 of Haynes and Boone, LLP.

Amendment to the Specification is set forth on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 15 of this paper.

A new declaration is attached to this paper.